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Booker T. Washington 2008 Accomplishments

At a Glance

\$916 thousand budget

14 permanent/term/seasonal staff

19,990 visitors

80/3,621 volunteers/volunteer hours

\$1,061,000 spent by non-local visitors in local economies (2007)

\$11,000 donated

National Park Service Centennial

Identified three projects for Centennial funding: finish rehab of the visitor center; produce new 20 minute companion audio-visual orientation program; and enhance the existing Parks-as-Classroom programs.

Preserving History

Completed preservation project on the Kitchen Cabin by removing mortar based daubing and replacing with historically accurate mud daubing.

Improving Visitor Experience

Hosted a concert performance by the Tuskegee University Golden Voices Choir. The choir was established during Booker T. Washington's tenure as Principal of Tuskegee Institute.

Created two new curriculum-based science education programs.

Implemented cell phone tours of the historic area.

Working with Communities

Signed Friends Group Agreement with Friends of Booker T. Washington National Monument.

Developed a partnership with the Virginia Master Naturalists Blue Ridge and Foothills Chapter for the purposes of providing a training and research site and for providing park ranger instructors.

Caring for the Environment

Utilized Boy Scouts to plant a tree screen along the park's northern boundary.

Installed recycled rubber mulch landscaping material at the visitor center.

Master Naturalist projects included "Save Our Streams" water quality monitoring, stream ecology, and a wildflower identification album.

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Completed Vegetation Classification and Mapping report. The goal of the mapping effort was to produce an up-to-date digital geospatial vegetation database for the park and to provide a plant species list, a dichotomous key for map vegetation, and descriptions of the vegetation in the park.

Working Smarter

The management team developed goals and performance objectives for the annual work plan and allocated park budget to support park goals. Thirteen of fourteen goals exceeded or met.

Updated and completed a review of the List of Classified Structures (LCS). Four structures were added to the list and ten of twelve structures are in good condition. Good condition means requiring no more than routine maintenance to maintain structure integrity.

There were no visitor or employee accidents or injuries in 2008.